

BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

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**BOARD OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION**
MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: December 23, 2005

FULL BOARD:

Date: January 4, 2006 (Wednesday)
EXECUTIVE SESSION
Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

Date: January 5, 2006 (Thursday)
REGULAR SESSION
Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: Resources Auditorium
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COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE
Date: January 4, 2006 (Wednesday)
Time: 8:00 a.m. – noon

Location: Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

POLICY AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Date: January 4, 2006 (Wednesday)
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Large Conference Room
15th floor, Room 1506-12
Resources Bldg.
Sacramento, California

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE
Date: January 4, 2006 (Wednesday)
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Resources Auditorium
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Note: Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact George D. Gentry, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at:
http://www.fire.ca.gov/bof/board/board_current_docs.html

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FULL BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Date: January 4, 2006 (Wednesday)

Location: Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications; Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code; Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. Cases to be discussed are: **Gualala Redwoods, Inc. v. California State Board of Forestry, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Andrea Tuttle, and Does 1 through 10**, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 02-CS00356, **Walter Simonis**, CP-02-06, **Ed Shields**, CP-04-02, **Hudson Fisk**, CP-04-08, Harold Richardson v. Andrea Tuttle, Director, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection; California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection; California State Board of Forestry, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 04-CS00286, **Big Creek v. Santa Cruz**, Legal issues concerning **Regulation pursuant to PRC 4291**. (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.)

REGULAR SESSION

Date: January 5, 2006 (Thursday)

Location: Resources Auditorium
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, California

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Note: The Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits and may discuss agenda items scheduled for committees, including legislation. **The Board may act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for 45-day notice of rulemaking.** If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, please fill out a card provided for this purpose at the sign-in table and hand it to a member of staff, preferably prior to the meeting. Those wishing to speak on particular agenda items may do so when they are heard by the Board. The Board reserves the right to solicit additional public comment if the need arises for a particular agenda item.

8:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes of the November and December 2005 Meetings.
3. Consent Calendar – see attached Consent Calendar for actions to be considered under this agenda item.

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. The Board will act upon them at one time without discussion. If any Board Member, staff, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it will be taken up in the regular agenda order.

Possible Action Items: RPF License/CRM Certification: Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, or other Actions.

4. Report of the Chairman.
5. Report of the Director/Department.
6. Report of the California Oak Mortality Task Force (COMTF).
7. Report of Board's Advisory Committees
 - Forest Pest Council
 - Range Management Advisory Committee
 - Monitoring Study Group
 - Professional Foresters Examining Committee

Possible Action Items: Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions.

8. **Hearing (Continued from December 13, 2005):** The Board Will Consider Adoption of the Proposed Rule Language for ***Defensible Space, 2005***. This Proposed Rule was issued for 45-Day Notice on October 28, 2005. **(Possible Action Item)**
9. **Hearing:** The Board Will Consider Adoption of the Proposed Rule Language for ***Amador Plan, 2006***. This Proposed Rule was issued for 45-Day Notice on November 18, 2005. The Proposed language addresses Standards for Cooperative Fire Protection Contracts During the Non-fire Season. **(Possible Action Item)**
10. Discussion on ***State Responsibility Area Five Year Review, 2005***. A review was completed for the purpose of amending the boundaries for state responsibility areas. **Possible Action Item:** The Board may adopt findings relative to its previous adoption of the review.
11. Presentation on *The Visual Forester*. Adam Deem, The Forest Foundation.
12. Update on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for Jackson Demonstration State Forest (JDSF) Draft Management Plan. Information on the DEIR may be found at:

http://www.fire.ca.gov/php/rsrc-mgt_jackson_deir_2005.php
13. Report of Sensitive Watershed Nominations Review, Forest Practice, Policy and Management, and Resource Protection Committees.
14. Discussion regarding Board Priorities for 2006. **Possible Action Item:** Board may adopt a list of Goals and Priorities for 2006
15. Report of the Regulations Coordinator

Note: The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report. **Possible Action Items:** Recommendations to Board for Regulatory Actions (See Committee Agendas).

16. Report of Executive Officer, including Proposed State and Federal Legislation

Note: The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.

17. **Public Forum:** Members of the public may address the Board on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman.

18. New and Unfinished Business

19. Adjournment

FRANCIS RAYMOND AWARD DINNER

The Board will be attending a dinner and award ceremony in honor of Mr. John Nicoles. Mr. Nicoles is to be the recipient of the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's highest honor, the Francis H. Raymond Award. The award is named for Francis H. Raymond who was the director of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection from 1953 to 1970, and one of the primary advocates for the passage of the Professional Foresters Law in 1973. Since 1987 it has been awarded to 21 recipients who have demonstrated excellence in California forestry.

The awards dinner will begin at 6:00 PM at the 4th Street Grille in downtown Sacramento on January 4, 2006. The Grille is located at the corner of 4th and L Streets (the address is 400 L Street). The cost per person is \$45 and includes choice of salad and entrée. Space is limited to 50 individuals on a first come, first served basis. If you would like to attend, please contact Eric Huff or Laura Estrada at (916) 653-8031.

COMMITTEE AGENDAS

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

Date: January 4, 2006 (Wednesday)

Time: 8:00 a.m. – noon

Location: Resources Auditorium

1416 Ninth Street

Sacramento, California

1. Discussion of Fuel Hazard Reduction Rules and the exemption process for the Tahoe Basin.
Possible Action Item: Recommendation to full Board for 45-day notice for rulemaking.
2. Discussion of CLFA Regulatory Streamlining Proposal. **Possible Action Item:**
Recommendation to full Board for 45-day notice for rulemaking.
3. Discussion of sunset dates on the Rules for Protection and Restoration in Watersheds with Threatened or Impaired Values, Effectiveness and Implementation Monitoring, Section 303(d) Listed Watersheds.
4. New and Unfinished Business (Road Management Plan Regulation, Interagency Road Rules task Force, Board of Equalization TAC update, Stewardship Non-Industrial Timber Plan).

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

POLICY AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Date: January 4, 2006 (Wednesday)

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Large Conference Room

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1. Update on current Legislation of Interest to the Board.
2. Discussion regarding Draft Board Policy Statement.
3. Initial discussion of budget and staffing issues for the Board of Forestry and Fire protection.
4. New and Unfinished Business

Note: The Policy and Management Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE**Date:** January 4, 2006 (Wednesday)**Time:** 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**Location:** Resources Auditorium**1416 Ninth Street**

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1. Report by CDF Deputy Director, Fire Protection; including Reports from Region Chiefs. Discussion of guidelines for staffing levels.
2. Update/Report on 4291: Education and Inspection, Regulations for implementation of 4291.
3. Department's Initial Response to Range Management Advisory Committee's VMP Review
4. Update on California Fire Plan.
5. Advisory Committee Reports:
 - Statewide Fire Safe Council
 - Range Management Advisory Committee
 - Vegetation Management Program
6. New and Unfinished Business (Nursery Update, California Forest Improvement Program Rates).

Note: The Resource Protection Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

CONSENT CALENDAR**RPF VITAL STATISTICS**

For presentation to the
State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection
January 2005

NO ITEMS TO REPORT.